The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 **Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12**

"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."



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Pastor's Corner

The desire to be soon recognized

By Pope St. Leo the Great Sermon 31, On the Epiphany

After celebrating but lately the day on which immaculate virginity brought forth the Savior of humanity, the venerable feast of the Epiphany, dearly beloved, gives us continuance of joy, that the force of our exultation and the fervor of our faith may not grow cool, in the midst of neighboring and kindred mysteries. For it concerns all peoples' salvation that the infancy of the Mediator between God and men was already manifested to the whole world, while He was still detained in the tiny town. For although He had chosen the Israelite nation, and one family out of that nation, from whom to assume the nature of all humanity, yet He was unwilling that the early days of His birth should be concealed within the narrow limits of His mother's home: but desired to be soon recognized by all, seeing that He deigned to be born for all. To three wise men, therefore, appeared a star of new splendor in the region of the East, which, being brighter and fairer than the other stars might easily attract the eyes and minds of those that looked on it, so that at once that might be observed not to be meaningless, which had so unusual an appearance. He therefore who gave the sign, gave to the beholders understanding of it, and caused inquiry to be made about that, of which He had thus caused understanding, and after inquiry made, offered Himself to be found.

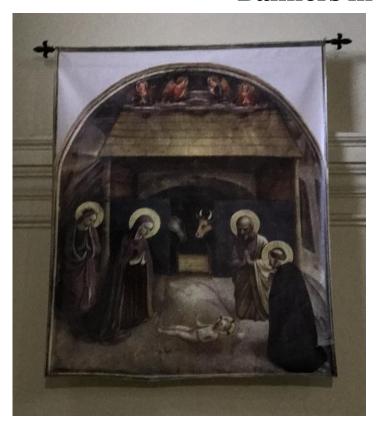
These three men follow the leading of the light above, and with steadfast gaze obeying the indications of the guiding splendor, are led to the recognition of the Truth by the brilliance of Grace, for they supposed that a king's birth was notified in a human sense, and that it must be sought in a royal city. Yet He who had taken a slave's form, and had come not to judge, but to be judged, chose Bethlehem for His nativity, Jerusalem for His passion. But Herod, hearing that a prince of the Jews was born, suspected a successor, and was in great terror: and to compass the death of the Author of Salvation, pledged himself to a false homage. How happy had he been, if he had imitated the wise men's faith, and turned to a pious use what he designed for deceit. What blind wickedness of foolish jealousy, to think you can overthrow the Divine plan by your frenzy! ...

The Wise men, therefore, fulfill their desire, and come to the child, the Lord Jesus Christ, the same star going before them. They adore the Word in flesh, the Wisdom in infancy, the Power in weakness, the Lord of majesty in the reality of man: and by their gifts make open acknowledgment of what they believe in their hearts, that they may show forth the mystery of their faith and understanding. The incense they offer to God, the myrrh to Man, the gold to the King, consciously paying honor to the Divine and human nature in union...

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Banners in the Church



The Nativity by Fra Angelico 1440-41 Convento di San Marco, Florence, Italy

Like some other nativities of this period, the artist compromises between the tradition of setting the birth in a cave and the one that sets it in the stable. The painting most likely depicts the vision of Saint Bridget of Sweden, as he has Mary on her knees and the child lying naked on the ground. As usual, Angels Sing above and the ox and the ass look on. The Saint behind Mary is probably Catherine of Alexandria, because of the crown. The saint in the back is Peter Martyr, identified by the gash in his head.

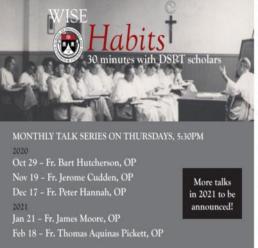
In the late 14th century an influential Memoir by Saint Bridget of Sweden leads to a sharp change in the iconography: Joseph and Mary now kneel before the Christ child, who lies naked on the ground before them. Often light will radiate from the child's body outshining the light of the candle Joseph has brought. All this comes from a passage in the Memoir where Bridget recounts a vision she had when she visited the Nativity cave in Bethlehem:

When Joseph and Mary had entered the cave

and after the ox and the ass have been tied to the manger, the old man went outside and brought to the Virgin a lighted candle and fixed it on the wall and went outside in order not to be personally present at the birth. And so the virgin then took the shoes from her feet put off the white mantle that covered her, removed the veil from her head, and laid these things beside her, remaining in only her tunic, with her most beautiful hair, as of gold, spread out upon her shoulder blades. When all these things had thus been prepared, then the Virgin knelt with great reverence, putting herself at prayer; and she kept her back towards the manger and the face lifted to Heaven towards the east, and then and there. in a moment and in the twinkling of an eye, she gave birth to a Son. From whom there went out such great and ineffable light and splendor that the sun could not be compared to it. After the birth, I saw a glorious infant lying on the Earth, naked and glowing in the greatest of neatness, when therefore the Virgin felt that she had now given birth, at once, having bowed her head and joined her hands, with great dignity and reverence she adored the boy. When these things, therefore, were accomplished, the old man, Joseph, entered; and prostrating on the earth, he adored him on bended knee and wept for joy.

The Baptism of the Lord (1450) By Fra Angelico (Fra Giovannie da Fiesole) -Next week's bulletin





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Sunday Worship Aid

Isaiah 60:1-6 A reading from the Book of the Prophet

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about: they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king; with your justice endow the king's son. With justice he will govern your people, your afflicted ones with right judgment.

Justice shall flower in his days, lasting peace 'til the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles offer gifts, those from Seba and Arabia bring tribute. All kings shall pay him their homage, all nations shall serve him.

He rescues the poor when they cry out, the afflicted with no one to help. The lowly and poor he shall pity, the lives of the poor he shall save.

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians:

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit. namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 2:1-12 + A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew:

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in he days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ. the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified. who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick during the Pandemic

O God, our refuge in trials, our strength in sickness, our comfort in sorrow, spare your people, we pray, and hear our prayers for all who are sick: Grant them, we implore you, your merciful help, so that, with their health restored, they may give you thanks in the midst of the Church.

Your Only-Begotten Son took on our human nature and bore our infirmities: protect and strengthen also we pray. nurses, doctors, first responders, and all others on the front line of this pandemic. who put themselves in harm's way to serve the needs of others.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ. your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us! Pray for us! St. Joseph St. Patrick Pray for us! Holy Father St. Dominic Pray for us!

Isaías 60:1-6 Lectura del libro del profeta Isaías:

Levántate v resplandece. Jerusalén, porque ha llegado tu luz y la gloria del Señor alborea sobre ti. Mira: las tinieblas cubren la tierra y espesa niebla envuelve a los pueblos; pero sobre ti resplandece el Señor y en ti se manifiesta su gloria. Caminarán los pueblos a tu luz y los reyes, al resplandor de tu aurora. Levanta los ojos y mira alrededor: todos se reúnen y vienen a ti; tus hijos llegan de lejos, a tus hijas las traen en brazos. Entonces verás esto radiante de alegría; tu corazón se alegrará, y se ensanchará, cuando se vuelquen sobre ti los tesoros del mar y te traigan las riquezas de los pueblos. Te inundará una multitud de camellos y dromedarios, procedentes de Madián y de Efá. Vendrán todos los de Sabá trayendo incienso y oro y proclamando las alabanzas del Señor.

Palabra de Dios.

Te alabamos, Señor.

Salmo 72:31-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Se postraran ante ti, Señor, todos los pueblos de la tierra.

Dios mío, confía tu juicio al rey, tu justicia al hijo de reyes: para que rija a tu pueblo con justicia, a tus humildes con rectitud.

Que en sus días florezca la justicia y la paz hasta que falte la luna; que domine de mar a mar, del Gran Rio al confín de la tierra.

Que los reyes de Tarsis y de las islas le paguen tributo; que los reyes de Sabá y de Arabia le ofrezcan sus dones, que se postren ante el todos los reyes, y que todos los pueblos le sirvan.

Porque el librara al que clama, al afligido que no tiene quien le oiga; se apiadara de los abandonados, y salvara la vida de los pobres.

Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6 Lectura de la carta del apóstol san Pablo a los efesios:

Hermanos y hermanas: Han oído hablar de la distribución de la gracia de Dios, que se me ha confiado en favor de ustedes. Por revelación se me dio a conocer este misterio, que no había sido manifestado a los hombres en otros

tiempos, pero que ha sido revelado ahora por el Espíritu a sus santos apóstoles y profetas: es decir, que por el Evangelio, también los paganos son coherederos de la misma herencia, miembros del mismo cuerpo y partícipes de la misma promesa en Jesucristo.

Palabra de Dios.

Te alabamos, Señor.

Mateo 2:1-12

+ Lectura del santo Evangelio según san Mateo:

Jesús nació en Belén de Judá, en tiempos del rev Herodes. Unos magos de Oriente llegaron entonces a Jerusalén y preguntaron: "¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que acaba de nacer? Porque vimos surgir su estrella y hemos venido a adorarlo". Al enterarse de esto, el rey Herodes se sobresaltó y toda Jerusalén con el. Convocó entonces a los sumos sacerdotes y a los escribas del pueblo y les preguntó donde tenía que nacer el Mesías. Ellos le contestaron: "En Belén de Judá. porque así lo ha escrito el profeta: Y tú, Belén, tierra de Judá, no eres en manera alguna la menor entre las ciudades ilustres de Judá, pues de ti saldrá un jefe, que será el pastor de mi pueblo, Israel". Entonces Herodes llamó en secreto a los magos, para que le precisaran el tiempo en que se les había aparecido la estrella y los mandó a Belén, diciéndoles: "Vayan a averiguar cuidadosamente qué hay de ese niño, y cuando lo encuentren, avísenme para que yo también vaya a adorarlo". Después de oír al rey, los magos se pusieron en camino, y de pronto la estrella que habían visto surgir. comenzó a guiarlos, hasta que se detuvo encima de donde estaba el niño. Al ver de nuevo la estrella, se llenaron de inmensa alegría. Entraron en la casa y vieron al niño con María, su madre, y postrándose, lo adoraron. Después, abriendo sus cofres, le ofrecieron regalos: oro, incienso y mirra. Advertidos durante el sueño de que no volvieran a Herodes, regresaron a su tierra por otro camino.

Palabra del Señor.

Gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Profesión de Fe

Creo en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador del cielo y de la tierra, de todo lo visible y lo invisible.

Creo en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes

de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no creado, de la misma naturaleza del Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros, los hombres y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo, y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre; y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato, padeció y fue sepultado, y resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, y subió al cielo, y está sentado a la derecha del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin.

Creo en el Espíritu Santo, Señor y dador de vida, que procede del Padre y del Hijo, que con el Padre y el Hijo recibe una misma adoración y gloria, y que habló por los profetas.

Creo en la Iglesia, que es una, santa, católica y apostólica. Confieso que hay un solo bautismo para el perdón de los pecados. Espero la resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo futuro.

Amén.

Oración para los Enfermos durante la Pandemia

O Dios, refugio nuestro en dificultades, nuestra fortaleza en la enfermedad, nuestro consuelo en la congoja, protege a tu pueblo, te lo pedimos, y escucha nuestras oraciones por todos los que están enfermos: Concédeles, te imploramos, tu misericordiosa ayuda, para que, con su salud restaurada, ellos puedan darte gracias en tu Iglesia.

Tu Hijo Unigénito tomó nuestra naturaleza humana y cargó con nuestras debilidades; protege y fortalece, también te lo rogamos, a enfermeros, doctores, a aquellos respondiendo en primeros auxilios, y a los que están en la primera línea de esta pandemia, quienes se ponen en peligro al servir a otros en sus necesidades..

Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, quien vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

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